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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Fuerst, *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/769,066

FILED: January 24, 2001

FOR: **HEPATITIS E VIRUS ANTIGENS AND USES  
THEREFOR**

EXAMINER: Foley

ART UNIT: 1648

CONFIRM. No: 7789

**Amendment**

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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated August 23, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.